<u>**Amendments to the Claims**</u>

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the above-identified application:

<u>**Listing of Claims**</u>

Claims 1-15 (Canceled).

Claim 16 (Currently amended): A client terminal in which a software including a plurality of functions is installed and which is capable of communicating with a server apparatus, the terminal comprising:

a setting <u>unit, which sets</u> ~~means for setting~~ respective flags of said plurality <u>of</u> functions into an enabling state and a disabling state <u>so that the function the flag of which is set into the enabling state is to be subjected to charging</u>;

a controlling <u>unit, which controls</u> ~~means for controlling~~ usability of the function in accordance with the state of the flag thereof set by said setting <u>unit</u> ~~means~~, so as to make the function the flag of which is set in the enabling state, usable and make the function the flag of which is set in the disabling state, unusable;

a payment <u>unit, which executes</u> ~~means for executing~~ payment processing of a price of the function the flag of which is set in the enabling state <u>by said setting unit</u>;

a count <u>unit, which counts</u> ~~means for counting~~ a period in which said function the flag of which is set in the enabling state, remains being not used;

a prohibition request <u>unit, which</u> ~~means for~~ automatically <u>requests</u> ~~requesting~~ the server apparatus to prohibit the usability of <u>the</u> ~~said~~ function <u>subjected to period counting by said</u>

counting unit if said counted period <u>counted by said count unit</u> exceeds <u>a</u> ~~the~~ predetermined period; and

<u>a</u> changing <u>unit, which changes</u> ~~means for changing~~ the state of the flag of <u>the</u> ~~said~~ function <u>said counted period of which exceeds the predetermined period,</u> from the enabling state to the disabling state in response to a response of said server apparatus to the prohibition request by said prohibition request <u>unit</u> ~~means~~.

Claim 17 (Previously Presented):   A terminal according to claim 16, wherein the function is at least one of a scan function, print function, a copy function and a facsimile transmission function.

Claim 18 (Currently amended): A terminal according to claim 16, further comprising <u>an</u> icon display <u>unit, which displays</u> ~~means for displaying~~ icons corresponding respectively to said plurality of functions, said icon display <u>unit</u> ~~means~~ distinctly displays the icons among said plurality of functions in different states in accordance with the enabling state and the disabling state of the flags thereof.

Claims 19-21 (Cancelled).

Claim 22 (Currently amended): A control method of client terminal in which a software including a plurality of functions is installed and which is capable of communicating with a server apparatus, said method comprising the step of:

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setting respective flags of said plurality of functions into an enabling state and a disabling state so that the function the flag of which is set into the enabling state is to be subjected to charging;

controlling usability of the function in accordance with the state of the flag thereof set in said setting step, so as to make the function the flag of which is set in the enabling state, usable and make the function the flag of which is set in the disabling state, unusable;

executing, every predetermined period, payment processing of a price of the function the flag of which is set in the enabling state in said setting step;

counting a period in which said function the flag of which is set in the enabling state, remains being not used;

automatically requesting the server apparatus to prohibit the usability of the said function subjected to period counting in said counting step if said counted period counted in said counting step exceeds the predetermined period; and

changing the state of the flag with the said function said counted period of which exceeds the predetermined period, from the enabling state to the disabling state in response to a response of said server apparatus to the prohibition request in by said prohibition request step means.

Claim 23 (Cancelled).

Claim 24 (Currently amended): A record medium storing a program readably by a computer for implementing a control method of client terminal in which a software including

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a plurality of functions is installed and which is capable of communicating with a server apparatus, said method comprising the step of:

setting respective flags of said plurality of functions into an enabling state and a disabling state so that the function the flag of which is set into the enabling state is to be subjected to charging;

controlling usability of the function in accordance with the state of the flag thereof set in said setting step, so as to make the function the flag of which is set in the enabling state, usable and make the function the flag of which is set in the disabling state, unusable;

executing, every predetermined period, payment processing of a price of the function the flag of which is set in the enabling state in said setting step;

counting a period in which said function the flag of which is set in the enabling state, remains being not used;

automatically requesting the server apparatus to prohibit the usability of the said function subjected to period counting in said counting step if said counted period counted in said counting step exceeds the predetermined period; and

changing the state of the flag with the said function said counted period of which exceeds the predetermined period, from the enabling state to the disabling state in response to a response of said server apparatus to the prohibition request in by said prohibition request step means.

Claim 25 (Cancelled).

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